THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Illegal business activities in residential areas

†1762. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hon'ble High Court have expressed its disapproval for restarting of business activities in residential areas;

(b) whether Government are aware that illegal business like car repairing and denting-painting work in residential areas of South Delhi is being carried out and thereby causing noise and air pollution; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the concrete measures taken to impose a total ban on such business?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (c) The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) has reported that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in an order dated 14.5.2004 had observed that auto-repairing shops, car-repairing and denting-painting shops are running without licence and using public footpaths and public roads, thereby causing congestion for smooth flow of traffic and directed that show-cause notice be given to those shops which have not got licences to stop such usage forthwith failing which their licence be removed. Accordingly the MCD had sealed 16 shops during 2004.

The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has reported that in cases where misuse of residential flats/built up plots are detected, action is taken up under the terms and conditions of lease and also under provisions of Delhi Government Act, 1957 for violation of Master Plan.

Elevated Light Metro System for Kochi

1763. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Kerala submitted for clearance an Elevated Light Metro System in Kochi;

(b) if so, the details of the project;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.